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**AMENDMENT AFTER
FINAL REJECTION**

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| Application # | 09/966,761 |
| Confirmation # | 6832 |
| Filing Date | October 1, 2001 |
| First Inventor | BARNES |
| Art Unit | 3727 |
| Examiner | Hylton, Robin Annette |
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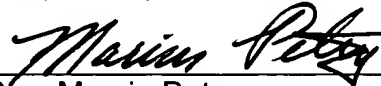
In response to the Final Office Action dated September 11, 2003, please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**, and please amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the title and replacement paragraph provided herewith in **Attachment B**.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment C**.

In view of the amendments made and the remarks provided, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

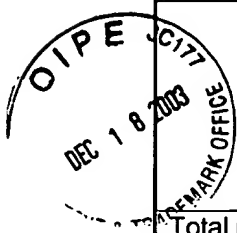
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ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fees calculated below <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply including Attachment(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After Final Amendment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> including Attachments A (remarks), B (spec) & C (claims) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Drawings <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Drawings <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
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FEES CALCULATION: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:

| | NOW | Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Rate | \$ |
|---|-----|---------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 16 | 20 | | X \$ 18 = | |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 3 | 3 | | X \$ 86 = | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES = | | | | | |
| Reduction by 1/2 for small entity status of applicant | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition) | | | | | 110 |
| Other fee for | | | | | |
| TOTAL OF ALL FEES = | | | | | 110 |

☒ A check in the amount of \$110 is enclosed. If no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

☒ In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

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